

Research is increasing our understanding of brain development. By the age of three, a child's brain has achieved 90 percent of total growth.



Child Care Regulations support a safe, stimulating, and nurturing environment for children.

To learn more about Kansas Child Care Regulations, contact your local licensing surveyor at the address below or contact the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.



Kansas Department of Health and Environment
Child Care Licensing Program
1000 SW Jackson, Suite 200
Topeka, Kansas 66612-1274
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Every child in Kansas deserves a safe, healthy and nurturing environment...

Good Beginnings Last
a Lifetime



Child Care partnerships are created by:

- ◇ Parents who choose a licensed child care provider
- ◇ Providers who work with parents to meet each child's needs and who provide a healthy, safe and nurturing environment
- ◇ Surveyors who provide health, safety and child development information to providers and parents

Who needs to be regulated?

- ◇ Anyone who cares for one or two children, unrelated to the provider, for more than 20 child care hours per week away from the child's own home (Total hours determined by adding the hours each child is in care)
- ◇ Anyone who cares for more than two children, unrelated to the provider, for any number of hours away from the child's own home



How do Kansas Child Care Regulatory Services contribute to a healthier community?

Kansas Regulations:

- ◇ Support Kansas families in their child care choices
- ◇ Support high quality child care
- ◇ Reduce the predictable health and safety risks to children in out-of-home care
- ◇ Increase the number of children who are fully immunized
- ◇ Promote health and safety standards that help prevent communicable diseases and reduce injuries
- ◇ Promote age appropriate child care practices



Local Surveyors:

- ◇ Provide consultation on early care and education
- ◇ Provide consultation on best practices related to health and safety
- ◇ Inspect child care environments and work with providers to promote continual self-evaluation and professional growth
- ◇ Coordinate training opportunities